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- A verified statement to establish small entity under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- [X] No additional fee is required.

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#### **AMENDMENT**

This is a response to the Office Action mailed on January 27, 2006. Please amend the application as follows:

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